

Weekly Newsletter: 24th November 2023

Our value this term is Expectation.

Reading Books:

We are all very excited to share that our new reading books have arrived in school! Some of the children have had the opportunity to have a look at the books already and think they look "super exciting" and have said "I can't wait to read them." The children will start bringing these books home next week and we are sure you will enjoy sharing the new books with your child too.



Drama and Performances:

We were delighted to invite Altru Drama Company back to our school on Tuesday, the children really enjoyed watching the Anti-Bullying performance of Superhero School. Year 4 children also took part in a drama workshop run by Altru Drama in which they worked with the actors on each type of character from the story - bully, victim and superhero. They used Conscience Alley where they faced each other and shared characters thoughts and feelings, finally creating superhero circle to create their own Superhero stance and persona.



Weekly Attendance

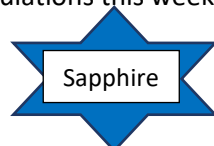
Our weekly attendance target is 97%

| Class | Percentage |
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| KV Penguins | 88.7% |
| KV Dolphins | 88.1% |
| KV Pandas | 92.9% |
| KV Leopards | 92.3% |
| KV Jaguars | 86.9% |
| KV Tigers | 92.6% |
| KV Lions | 93.6% |
| Overall, School Attendance | 90.5% |

Classes who reach 97% or above will be rewarded with an attendance party on Friday afternoon. Holidays in term time will not be authorised and penalties may be issued.

Team Points Weekly Winners

Congratulations this week goes to:



Well done to everyone for earning their team points this week. There are always team points ready for anyone showing our values. 😊

Book Recommendation:

What You Need To Be Warm by Neil Gaiman.
A brand new picture book by Neil Gaiman, illustrated by artists from all over the world. In 2019, Neil Gaiman asked his Twitter followers: What reminds you of warmth? Over 1,000 responses later, Neil began to weave replies from across the world into a poem in aid of the UNHCR's winter appeal.

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 5th December:
Year 5 Knife Crime PCO Hazel.

Thursday 7th December:
Christmas Jumper Day.

Monday 11th December:
Christingle Years 2-6.

Wednesday 13th December:
Christmas Dinner Day.

Thursday 14th December:
Nursery and Reception Christmas performance.

Friday 15th December:
Breakfast with Santa.

Monday 18th December:
Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas performance.

Tuesday 19th December:
Years 3,4,5 and 6 Christmas performances.

Wednesday 20th December:
Christmas Party Day.

Thursday 21st December:
Toy Day and last day of term.
Early finish.

Class Curriculum Information

Homework information is on class Seesaw. For more curriculum information see school website.



This week Nursery Turtles have enjoyed sharing the story 'Little Red Riding Hood'. The children enjoyed using props to re-tell the story. The children have also been sorting classroom objects according to size.



Reception Penguins have been fully immersed in Goldilocks and the Three Bears this week. We have enjoyed exploring porridge oats, making porridge for the bears and sequencing the story. In Maths we've been looking at positional language and playing a game of 'where is teddy?'



This week Year 1 Dolphins have been reading Katie In London by James Mayhew and writing about landmarks in London. In Maths the children have been completing subtractions on a number line. In Science they have been researching facts about different animals. In Design Technology they have been designing shelters and investigating different materials. We were all absolutely delighted to watch the AntiBully show by Altru Drama.



This week in Year 2 Pandas we have continued our writing about the Great Fire of London. The children focused their learning on using the or-ordination conjunction but and or. In Art, the children have continued learning about mixing the primary colours. They enjoyed making prints by using sponges and different brushes.



We have had a fantastic week in Year 3 Leopards this week, we enjoyed designed and making our own tacos which were very tasty! Please have a look on seesaw for photos of our fantastic tacos. We have also been busy practising our 2,4 and 8 times tables ready for our assessment next week!



Year 4 Jaguars had a brilliant workshop on Anti-Bullying with Altru Drama Company after watching their play with the rest of the school.



This week, Year 5 Tigers have been working on our Curriculum Maestro 'Innovate' projects in History and Science. In History we are looking at life after the Shang Dynasty and writing scripts to create our own podcasts. In Science, we have been learning all about bikes and the impact of gears, air resistance and friction. We have made 'Handy Hints' posters for cyclists explaining all of the things we have found out.



Year 6 Lions have been working very hard developing their knowledge of punctuation this week looking at how this can be used to add information to our writing. We have also been using 6 figure grid references to read maps and we can now use time zones to help us tell the time across the world.